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SUBJ: PYRAMID SELLING ORGANIZATIONS

REF: SYDNEY A-57, STATE A-4138

1. THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IS IN THE PROCESS OF INTRODUCING LEGISLATION BANNING PYRAMID SELLING ORGANIZATIONS WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE ENACTED INTO LAW BY DECEMBER 31, 1973. THE N.S.W. LAW WILL BE PATTERNED AFTER PART XI OF THE UK "FAIR TRADING ACT 1973", WHICH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES BELIEVE HAS WORKED REASONABLY WELL IN THE U.K. TO STOP THESE ALLEGEDLY FRAUDELENT ACTIVITIES.

2. POST SOURCES INDICATE THIS LAW IS AIMED SPECIFICALLY AT SUCH ORGANIZATIONS AS "HOLIDAY MAGIC", "DARE TO BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GREAT", "GOLDEN PRODUCTS" AND SIMILAR TYPES OF

PYRAMID SELLING SCHEMES.

3. POST IS CURRENTLY REFUSING VISAS UNDER SECTION 101 (A) (15) TO APPLICANTS DESIRING TO TRAVEL TO THE US FOR TRAINING IN CONNECTION WITH THE TYPES OF ORGANIZATIONS MENTIONED IN PARA 2.

4. NSW SOURCES ALSO STATE THAT PROVISIONS WILL BE INCLUDED IN BILL TO EXCLUDE LIGITIMATE SELLING ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS "AVON" AND "TUPPERWARE".

5. COPY OF LAW WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN ENACTED. HANNAH

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